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SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT,)
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NON-PROVISIONAL)
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Dear Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Notice of Incomplete Reply dated April 11, 2002, noting that a Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Document was filed in the Patent Office on March 29, 2002 along with a petition for a three-month extension of time and appropriate fee. This reply is hereby accompanied by a petition for a fourth-month extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.136(a) and accompanied by the appropriate fee as indicated in 37 CFR §1.17(a).

As identified in the notice of April 11, 2002, enclosed herewith are seventeen (17) pages of Formal Drawings – Figs. 1–13. These required substitute drawings are in compliance with and meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.84(g).

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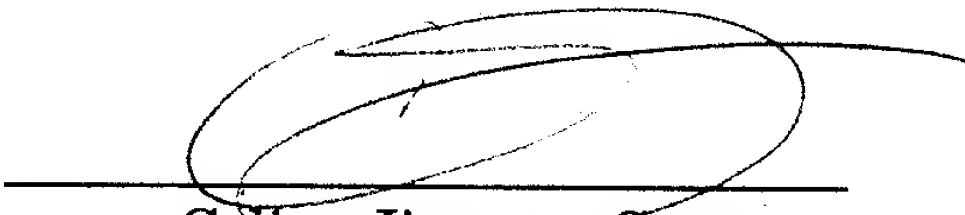
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- ☒ Enclosed.
A check in the amount of **\$520.00** is enclosed for the Petition for a Fourth-Month Extension of time as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a).
- ☒ **Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1349. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 03/29/2002 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 10/30/2001 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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